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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph 4 on page 7 bridging page 8 with the following amended paragraph:

Lower die 18 includes a die cavity 28 operable to accommodate one of a plurality of mold blocks 30 formed on a release film 32. In some embodiments, such as the embodiment shown in FIGURE 1, die cavity 28 may be partially defined by one or more portions 27 of upper die 16. Release film 32 may lie on top of, or adjacent to, lower die 12 and may extend beyond each side of lower die 18. Release film 32 may be advanced through die assembly ~~[[14]]~~ 12 by film advancement apparatus 14. In certain embodiments, such as shown in FIGURE 1, release film 32 is formed in a roll 34 and film advancement apparatus ~~[[16]]~~ 14 includes appropriate equipment for rotating roll 34 to advance release film 32 through die assembly ~~[[14]]~~ 12. In the embodiment shown in FIGURE 1, film advancement apparatus ~~[[16]]~~ 14 advances release film 32 through die assembly 12 in the direction indicated by arrows 36.

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